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DAYTON, Ohio, March 27, 1972 --- The American Society for Information Sciences is holding its first Mid-year Regional Conference at the University of Dayton in May. Although the conference is national in scope, it is sponsored by a group of seven midwest ASIS chapters. It is designed to complement, rather than compete with, the annual meeting to be held next October.

The conference consists of papers and discussions presented by the members. The theme of the meeting is "Cost Reduction in Information Systems." Conference Chairman Harold B. Thompson (U.S. Air Force Materials Laboratory, Wright Patterson Air Force Base) expects several hundred information science specialists and users of information systems to attend the meeting.

Three broad areas will be open for papers and discussions: input cost reduction; cost reduction in systems; and general cost effectiveness and benefits. Two University of Dayton personnel from the U.D. Research Institute are presenting a paper entitled "The Training of Technical Students in Indexing to Reduce Indexing Costs for Aero-Space Materials Information Center." The paper is co-authored by Mrs. Jaqueline March and Mr. Frederick Scheffler.

Those attending the conference from out of town will be housed in the Women's dorm on the University campus. The conference will run from May 19 through the 21, and the price will include room, meals and transportation to and from the airport if needed. The costs, in keeping with the general theme, have been kept to a minimum.